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MOTION BY SUPERVISOR ZEV YAROSLAVSKY

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The Coast Guard and the Maritime Administration of the U.S. Department of Transportation have announced their intent to prepare a joint environmental impact statement/environmental impact report in connection with BHP Billiton's application to construct the Cabrillo Liquefied Natural Gas Deepwater Port. This off-shore floating port, to be sited approximately 19 miles off the coast of Point Dume in Malibu, would be used to off-load liquefied natural gas (LNG) from shipping tankers to an underwater pipeline.

The Santa Monica Bay is perhaps the most defining physical feature of Los Angeles County; it contributes untold amounts to our area's economy and provides recreational opportunities for millions of our residents each year. The BHP Billiton proposal will potentially impact the scenic, biological and recreational values of the North Santa Monica Bay, and poses potential public safety concerns. It is in our clear interest to ensure the Bay is protected from any negative impacts resulting from this project, and to prevent the proliferation of similar off-shore facilities.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors direct the Department of

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Regional Planning to review the EIS/EIR for the proposed Cabrillo Liquefied Natural Gas Deepwater Port, recommend whether the County should oppose this project, or suggest project alternatives or mitigation measures which would serve to protect the Santa Monica Bay and area residents from negative project impacts.

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